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REMARKS

***Restriction/Election***

Applicants' election with traverse of claims 1-10 in the Reply filed on March 30, 2005 is acknowledged.

Applicants have elected claims 1-10, but again respectfully submit for the record that the Restriction election was with traverse and without waiving any rights for reconsideration or filing a continuation or divisional application thereon.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

The Examiner stated that claims 7-10 are allowed over the prior art of record.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC §102***

Claims 1-5 [sic] are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by Watt (U.S. Patent No. 6,586,296 B1, hereinafter "Watt").

Claims 1, 2, and 5 have been cancelled above without prejudice.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103***

Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Wu (U.S. Publication No. 2003/00232472 A1, hereinafter "Wu") in view of Watt (U.S. Patent No. 6,586,296 B1, hereinafter "Watt").

Claim 6 has been cancelled above without prejudice.

Accordingly, the only remaining claims in the present application are the allowed claims 7-10.

***Conclusion***

In view of the above, with claims 7-10 being allowed, prompt processing of the application for early issuance of the patent is therefore solicited.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0374 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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